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Hi Chairman Powell,

Please permit me to thank you very much for mentioning people with disabilities and their access needs for use of future VoIP services during your testimony before the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

I read the article about your testimony in the Washington Post paper this morning and the full text of your testimony in the FCC's Daily Digest.

We appreciate your full support of our needs to have full access in VoIP, and we look forward to working together on this topic with your office, the other Commissioners, the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, and the Disability Rights Office in the near future. Your mention of our access needs yesterday demonstrates your sincere commitment to address our first-class citizen rights and privileges to participate along with the rest of society in the exciting, evolving telecommunications and information climate.

The FCC has taken the lead by far than any other federal agency to address our access needs, and for that, the FCC has our deepest gratitude.

Regards,
Claude Stout
Executive Director
Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc

WRITTEN STATMENT OF MICHAEL K. POWELL, CHAIRMAN, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ON VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL (VOIP). Before the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, United States Senate, Tuesday, February 24, 2004, 9:30 a.m by Statement. OCH
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